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Applicant : BERNARD et al. Confirmation No: 6676
Appl. No. : 09/763,616
Filed : May 16, 2001
Title : THERAPEUTIC COMPOUNDS AND METHODS

TC/A.U. : 1614
Examiner : B. Kwon

Docket No.: : BERN3001/REF
Customer No: : 23364

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants request that the period for response to the outstanding official action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) for THREE (3) months to September 11, 2003.

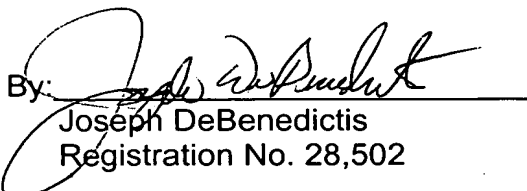
The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2) for a three month extension of time is \$930.00 and a check in this amount is submitted herewith. Please charge any additional fee required for this extension to Deposit Account No. 02-0200. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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